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SUPPORT MATERIALS

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Examiner: Not yet knownRESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES  
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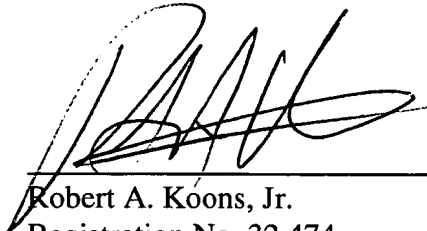
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3. Verified Small Entity Statement (2 pages); and
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